REMARKS

The claims are claims 1 to 14 and 27 to 34.

The application has been amended at several locations to correct similar spelling errors.

Claims 15 to 26, 35 and 36 are cancelled.

Claims 1 to 36 of this application are subject to restriction. The Examiner lists the following patentably distinct species:

Species I, claims 1 to 15, 27, 28 and 31 to 34, drawn to a compressor having a structure corresponding to figure 10.

Species II, claims 16 to 26, 35 and 36, drawn to a different compressor having a structure corresponding to figure 11.

The Applicants respectfully submit that this list of species is erroneous. The Applicants believe that independent claim 15 should be in Species II with its dependent claims 16 to 26. Note that independent claim 15 corresponds substantially to independent claim 1 except for recitation of "a successive compressor critical transistor stage path level within said successive compressor" of less than seven (corresponding to Figure 11) as contrasted with less than eight recited in claim 1 (corresponding to Figure 10).

The Applicants elect Species I including claims 1 to 14, 27, 28 and 31 to 34 and generic claims 29 and 30 without traverse. Non-elected claims 15 to 26, 35 and 36 have been cancelled.

If the Examiner has any questions or other correspondence regarding this application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the below listed telephone number and address to facilitate prosecution.

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In the Drawings

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